

# **The Story of Three Men: Two Failed, One Passed When an Angel Came as a Man**

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## **Chapter 1: Divine Trials and Human Responses**

### **A Test Among the People of Bani Israel:**

**Among the people of Bani Israel, there lived three men—one afflicted with leukoderma, another bald, and the third blind.**

**Each endured immense hardship and social exclusion.**

**One day, an angel descended in the form of a stranger, sent by Allah to test them.**

## **The Afflicted Man: A Life of Isolation**

**The angel, still disguised as a stranger, first approached the man suffering from leukoderma. Observing his distressed appearance, he began the exchange.**

**The Plea for Healing:**

**Angel (as Stranger Man):**

**"What troubles you so deeply?"**

**Leukoderma Man:**

**"Yes, I am in great distress. May Allah remove these marks from my face. I wish to sit among people with dignity and earn a respectable livelihood. That would suffice for me."**

**The angel prayed for him, and Allah healed his condition. He was granted a she-camel, whose offspring multiplied until he possessed a vast herd. His wealth elevated him among the prosperous.**

## **The Bald Man: A Quest for Respect**

**Next, the angel visited the man who was bald. Still in the form of a stranger, he noticed the man's troubled look and posed the same question.**

**The Desire for Restoration:**

**Angel (as Stranger Man):**

**"What is it that causes you grief?"**

**Bald Man:**

**"I suffer because of my baldness and my failing business."**

**Angel (as Stranger Man):**

**"May Allah bless you with beautiful hair and grant you success in your trade."**

**The angel prayed for him. Soon, the man's scalp was covered with thick hair. He was given a cow, and over time his cattle multiplied, making him wealthy.**



## **The Blind Man: A Longing for Sight**

**Finally, the angel, still disguised as a stranger, encountered the blind man. Watching him stumble along the path, he approached with compassion.**

**The Cry of a Blind Soul:**

**Angel (as Stranger Man):**

**"What burden weighs on your life?"**

**Blind Man:**

**"I stumble through life, begging from others. Pray that Allah restores my vision."**

**The angel offered a prayer, and Allah restored his sight. He was given a goat, whose offspring multiplied. He, too, joined the ranks of the prosperous.**

## **Chapter 2: The Return of the Examiner**

### **Pride Before the Fall:**

**Years passed. The three men, once helpless and poor, became influential and rich.**

**They were now known as “Rich Men.” Their lives overflowed with luxury, servants, and pride.**

**But in their prosperity, they forgot their origins.**

**Then one day, the angel returned—this time in the form of a poor man—to complete their test.**

## **The Denial of the Formerly Afflicted:**

**The angel, now disguised as a poor man, approached the man who had once suffered from leukoderma.**

### **A Reminder of Origins:**

**Angel (as Poor Man):**

**"I am destitute. Once, you had nothing, and Allah gave you everything. Grant me something in His name."**

**Leukoderma Man:**

**"How dare you claim I was ever poor? My grandfather was rich, my father was rich, and I was born with a golden spoon. Don't insult my lineage."**

**The angel invoked:**

**Angel (as Poor Man):**

**"Then may Allah return you to your original state."**

**Immediately, his disease returned. His camels died, and his wealth disappeared.**



## **The Businessman's Rejection:**

**The angel, still in the form of a poor man, then approached the man who had once been bald.**

## **The Arrogance of Self-Made Wealth:**

**Angel (as Poor Man):**

**"I am in need. Allah granted you riches when you had nothing. Help me, in His name."**

**Bald Man:**

**"Do not insult me. I am a self-made businessman. Every penny is the result of hard work. Nothing came from heaven. I earned it all."**

**The angel declared:**

**Angel (as Poor Man):**

**"Then may Allah return you to your original state."**

**His hair vanished, his cows perished, and his fortune faded.**

## **Chapter 3: Gratitude Preserved**

### **The Humble Acceptance:**

**Lastly, the angel—still disguised as a poor man—approached the man who had once been blind.**

### **The Soul That Remembered:**

#### **Angel (as Poor Man):**

**"I am in need. Allah gave you sight and wealth when you had nothing. Help me in His name."**

#### **Blind Man:**

**"You speak the truth. I was blind and wandered in misery. A man once prayed for me, and Allah restored my vision. Everything I own is from my Lord."**

**Moved by his humility, he added:**

#### **Blind Man:**

**"My flock stands before you. Take what you please. I shall not forget my past."**

**The angel revealed his identity and the divine nature of his test.**

**The Divine Reward:**

**Angel (as Poor Man):**

**"Congratulations. I am a messenger from Allah, sent to test three men. Two forgot their origins, and Allah withdrew His blessings. But you remembered. May your honour and wealth increase."**

**The blind man remained among the most honoured and prosperous individuals of Bani Israel, his gratitude preserving his blessings.**